[Mr. S. Parameswara Aiyar]

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The Vice-President in charge reported direct to the Government the result of the election on the 23rd Medam, 1099. The Division Peishkar reported on the 17th Edavam, 1099, that no petition was received by him contesting the validity of the election.

(*c*) The result of the election has been approved and consequential orders have issued.

Kattippanam.

7. MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Have the Government enquired into the allegations referred to at the meeting of the Legislative Council held in August, 1923, by Mr. N. Ramakrishna Pillai about *Kattippanam*, and, if so, what are the results of the enquiry?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The member is referred to the answer to his question No. 338 [350] asked on the 9th June, 1924, as regards an enquiry into the matter made by the Government in 1921. No fresh enquiry was ordered in view of the contemplated introduction, from 1100 M. E., of the independent shop system in the area in question.

Appointment of Headmasters in certain Schools.

8. MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any recommendations have been received from the Director of Public Instruction regarding the appointment of Headmasters of the English High Schools at Alleppey, Muvattupuzha and Martandam which are proposed to be raised into complete High Schools;

(*b*) if so, whether the Government have ascertained from the Director the grounds for the recommendations made;

(*c*) whether the teachers recommended are senior in service to others and are qualified in all other respects to be appointed as Headmasters;

(*d*) whether the Government are aware that there are qualified non-Brahmins in the department who have put in longer service;

(*e*) whether they are aware that non-Brahmin communities are inadequately represented in the Education Department; and

(*f*) if so, whether they will do justice to non-Brahmin teachers in connection with the filling of the vacancies of Headmasters that are now pending before them?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) to (*d*) and (*f*) Government have sanctioned the appointment

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